ment of Prevention of Food Adulteration, Delhi Administration, Delhi is not beyond doubt;

(b) if so, whether Government propose not to send such local (Health) Authorities on raids; and

(c) if not, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI RASHEED MASOOD): As per the information received from the Delhi Administration the reply is as under:

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) The report is under consideration of the Vigilence Department of the Delhi Administration.

Linking North Madras Thermal Station with Kalinga Coal Mines

2082. SHRI TINDIVANAM G. VENKATRAMAN: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Tamil Nadu Chief Minister has urged the Central Government for linking the North Madras Thermal Station with the Kalinga Coal Mines;

(b) if so, whether the Central Government have examined the proposal and accorded sanction; and

(c) if so, by when this project is proposed to be set up?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI ARIF MOHD. KHAN): (a) to (c) Long-Term coal linkage for North Madras Stage-I (3x210 MW) has already been given from Kalinga Opencast Project in Talcher coalfield, Orissa. The Government of Tamil Nadu have requested for coal linkage for North Madras Stage-II (2x210 MW). It has been indicated by the Department of Coal that all the coal available from Talchar coalfield has been committed to various identified Thermal Power Stations to be commissioned during 8th plan. No additional coal can be linked to North Madras TPS Stage-II during 8th Plan. Coal linkage for this scheme can be considered for benefit during 9th Plan only after the overall priority list of scheme of 9th Plan has been finalised by the Planning Commission. An advance action scheme for Kalinga OCP has already been sanctioned by the Government for initiating action for land acquisition etc. The Kalinga project which is under appraisal by the Government is expected to contribute production during the 8th Plan Period.

Foreign Airlines wooing Indians passengers

2083. SHRI KRISHAN LAL SHARMA: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that many foreign, airlines operating in India have taken spcial steps to woo Indian passengers;

(b) if so, what is the effect of these steps on the business of Air India; and

(c) what is Government's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI ARIF MOHD. KHAN): (a) to (c) Air India has a share of 1|3rd of the international traffic into and out of India. The country needs other foreign carriers to operate. International carriers work within the IATA discipline. Further one can charge only the price commensurate with the quality of the product it offers. Air India has not suffered any decline in revenues because of international competition.